

Based on the most recent figures, some 300 public safety officials are missing, they are missing, as a result of the September 11 tragedies, including more than 50 law enforcement officers. Crimefighting has taken its toll. Since the first recorded police death in 1792 there have been more than 15,000 law enforcement officers who have given their lives in the line of duty.

These are some startling numbers, staggering numbers, but statistics are secondary when we see in real life the service and the dedication of the men and women who serve us in law enforcement.

We are very, very pleased and I am very, very pleased to join my colleagues in offering this resolution this evening.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman. We certainly once again would like to express our appreciation for the gentleman bringing this resolution to the floor.

As it has been indicated, New Jersey was very severely impacted by September 11. The fourth plane that left out of Newark Airport, which is in my district, the PATH train that goes to the World Trade Center leaves Newark and in 15 minutes or so it is at the site of what is ground zero, now.

So we are very closely involved. We feel the impact on our districts, and we once again would like to commend the men and women in blue.

We had a service just on Wednesday. I went back to the district in Newark. We had a service at the University of Medicine and Dentistry, where we honored policemen and firemen there on Wednesday. The concerned citizens of the hospital did this. It was just continued recognition for the great work they have been doing.

Mr. Speaker, once again I thank the gentleman.

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my strong support for House Resolution 224, which honors more than 10,000 members of the New Jersey State Law Enforcement Officers Association.

As a proud co-sponsor of this resolution, which was introduced prior to the September 11th attacks, our respect for New Jersey's law enforcement officers runs deep. Day in and day out, these individuals routinely put their life on the line—valor, courage and bravery are commonplace in their daily job.

Formed in 1938, The New Jersey State Law Enforcement Officers Association celebrates a rich tradition of service and dedication to our citizens. Individuals who enforce New Jersey's state laws, and the ordinances of New Jersey municipalities, are eligible for active membership. Currently, the Association includes members from Federal, State, County and Municipal Law Enforcement Agencies, including Special and Auxiliary Police.

Mr. Speaker, the events of September 11, 2001 have shown all Americans that our law enforcement officers serve at great risk to their personal safety. The men and women of New Jersey's law enforcement community are genuine community leaders who do a tough job and do it well. Within an hour of the attack,

New Jersey police officers were deployed to the Hudson River to assist the victims.

Every single day since then, they have been working around-the-clock to bolster security in the New Jersey-New York region. Specifically, additional troopers have been mobilized to augment security in airports, bridges, and tunnels, as well as to strengthen security at the Salem Hope Creek and Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Stations. New Jersey State Patrol Marine units have also been deployed to patrol waterways, especially the waterways adjacent to the nuclear facilities. New Jersey State Police have also increased their presence in Atlantic City Hotels and other likely terrorist targets.

New Jersey officers have also had to deal with thousands of calls in response to public fears about anthrax contamination. HAZMAT teams have been deployed across the state to investigate actual anthrax incidents, as well as cruel hoaxes. In my own district, the Hamilton police department has been working non-stop to protect and reassure local residents who have seen their very neighbors and co-workers exposed and even infected with anthrax.

In our greatest hour of need, New Jersey law enforcement officers have filled the breach and made us all proud.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing the bravery and honor of the law enforcement officers of New Jersey. The New Jersey State Law Enforcement Officers Association is the voice of those who dedicate their lives to protecting and serving our communities, and especially at this time of uncertainty, our law enforcement officers deserve our full support.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, today I rise in strong support of H. Res. 224, a resolution honoring the New Jersey State Law Enforcement Officers Association and all law enforcement officers in New Jersey. They serve and protect our state and local communities with bravery, pride, professionalism and honor each and every day.

The fine men and women who make up New Jersey's law enforcement agencies are exceptional people who do a very dangerous job, often without fanfare or recognition. They put their own lives on the line so that our schools, streets, children and families are safe from harm and danger. They are, as we have been reminded by their extraordinary response since September 11, true heroes.

On September 11, thousands of police officers and emergency personnel from local communities across New Jersey were mobilized immediately and dispatched to help with the search and recovery efforts at Ground Zero. Our thanks and our gratitude goes out to everyone who assisted in a time of such great need. Our prayers are with the families of the victims, which included police officers and firefighters who rushed into the World Trade Center to save lives.

In recent weeks, I have had the opportunity to personally thank a few of those police officers, fire and emergency personnel from my Congressional District by presenting them with flags that flew over the U.S. Capitol. Almost every one of the 57 communities I represent sent police officers, firefighters and EMT's to the site of the World Trade Center Disaster, many of whom are volunteers.

Mr. Speaker, it has been more than two months since the tragic events of September 11, and today, with anthrax a real threat for

many, especially in New Jersey, our law enforcement officials and emergency personnel continue to serve the public tirelessly. I cannot think of a better way to honor the work of law enforcement personnel in New Jersey than by supporting H. Res. 224.

Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SIMPSON). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

The Clerk read the Resolution, as follows:

#### H. RES. 224

Whereas more than 700,000 men and women across the Nation serve their fellow citizens in their capacity as guardians of peace;

Whereas the law enforcement officers of New Jersey are recognized for their dedication to promote, advance, and encourage cooperation among all law enforcement officers;

Whereas law enforcement officers serve at great risk to their personal safety;

Whereas the citizens of New Jersey are indebted to their law enforcement officers, who are willing to die to protect them and their families and to risk all of their hopes and all of their dreams to ensure the safety and well-being of New Jersey communities;

Whereas law enforcement officers of New Jersey have fallen in the line of duty, and the thoughts and prayers of the House of Representatives and the country remain with the families of these men and women;

Whereas the men and women in New Jersey's law enforcement community are on the front line in our schools and on our streets, preserving the right of our children to learn in schools that are free of violence and the right of our citizens to safe communities; and

Whereas the members of the New Jersey State Law Enforcement Officers Association are an integral part of our society, in whom we have instilled public trust: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives recognizes the bravery and honor of the law enforcement officers of New Jersey, and the service of those officers to their communities.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### CONTINUATION OF SUDAN EMERGENCY—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 107-140)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objection, referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed:

*To the Congress of the United States:*

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice,

stating that the Sudan emergency is to continue in effect beyond November 3, 2001, to the *Federal Register* for publication. The most recent notice continuing this emergency was published in the *Federal Register* on November 2, 2000 (65 Fed. Reg. 66163).

The crisis between the United States and Sudan constituted by the actions and policies of the Government of Sudan, including continuing concern about its record on terrorism and the prevalence of human rights violations, including slavery, restrictions on religious freedom, and restrictions on political freedom, that led to the declaration of a national emergency on November 3, 1997, has not been resolved. These actions and policies are hostile to U.S. interests and pose a continuing unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared with respect to Sudan and maintain in force the comprehensive sanctions against Sudan to respond to this threat.

GEORGE W. BUSH.  
THE WHITE HOUSE, October 31, 2001.

#### PERIODIC REPORT ON NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO SUDAN—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 107-141)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objection, referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed:

*To the Congress of the United States:*

As required by section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (IEEPA), 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), I transmit herewith a 6-month periodic report of the national emergency with respect to Sudan that was declared in Executive Order 13067 of November 3, 1997, based upon information made available to me.

GEORGE W. BUSH.  
THE WHITE HOUSE, October 31, 2001.

#### APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CENTER FOR RUSSIAN LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, pursuant to section 313(2)(a) of Public Law 106-554, and upon the recommendation of the minority leader, the Chair announces the Speaker's appointment of the following Member on the part of the House to the Board of Trustees of the Center for Russian Leadership Development for a term of 3 years:

Mr. ROBERT E. (BUD) CRAMER, Jr., of Alabama.

There was no objection.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2001, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. PALLONE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. PALLONE addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

#### URGING MEMBERS TO SUPPORT FUNDRAISERS AND WALK-ATHONS TO RAISE MONEY FOR AUTISM RESEARCH

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Florida (Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, last night while most American children donned their costumes to celebrate Halloween, Bonnie and Willis Flick, the children pictured here, were able to go trick-or-treating only as a result of much preparation by their mother, Patience.

Bonnie and Willis are superheroes, not because they were dressed as wizards, but because of the efforts that they make each and every day in trying to fit into our world. It is difficult for Bonnie and Willis to make sense of our overwhelming and challenging environment because they have a neurological disease called autism.

Autism affects the development of the brain, especially in the areas of social interaction and communication skills. As a result, it is difficult for Bonnie and Willis to play with friends or to form relationships that most 11- and 13-year-olds have.

Autism affects one out of every 500 individuals, and it is a spectrum disorder, which means that it manifests itself in different ways.

For example, Bonnie can read and is able to go to a special school called the Learning Experience in Miami. She is a more high-functioning autistic child. But her brother, Willis, on the other hand, is mostly nonverbal. Talking for him is in small, almost guttural sounds that come as a result of hard work. Expressing emotions such as joy, anger, and frustration are extremely difficult for Willis.

However, Bonnie and Willis are a part of our world, not a world apart, as this tee shirt reads. This is a tee shirt that we will be wearing as part of the Flick family team this Saturday when we walk for more autism research.

Each day Bonnie and Willis continue to work hard to fit into our confusing world. They have been blessed with wonderful teachers who have a great deal of patience, and today Willis can

dress himself. He has learned to eat, and he has learned to eat with a fork for the first time. It may not seem like a big accomplishment for most of us, but for a child with autism, that is a monumental task.

For the first time, Bonnie allows her hair to be brushed and no longer involuntarily darts away from her caregivers.

Bonnie and Willis are fortunate and blessed children. They receive professional assistance and education to help optimize their potential and learning capabilities. But many autistic children are not as lucky. Many children do not have access to health care and to therapy that they so desperately need.

While the national rates of children being diagnosed with autism are increasing dramatically, there remains no known cure nor cause for autism. Mr. Speaker, we need to continue to raise research funding for autism to find treatments and preventions for this disability.

The National Alliance for Autism Research, NAAR, is an organization whose mission it is to fund, promote, and support biomedical research for autism spectrum disorder. To fulfill its commitment, every year throughout our Nation the organization hosts walk-a-thons to help raise vital research funds.

This Saturday, I, along with many others, will be participating in Walk Far for NAAR, which will be held in my congressional district at Crandon Park in Key Biscayne.

I congratulate the chairs of this year's walk, Robert and Patricia Cambo and Rain Vega, for their hard work in putting together this year's event. I also encourage my colleagues to remember the other Bonnie and Willises in their districts, and on their behalf to help promote awareness on autism so that each day we will be a step closer in banishing this debilitating disorder.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Georgia (Ms. MCKINNEY) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. MCKINNEY addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. BURTON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. BURTON of Indiana addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from the District of Columbia (Ms. NORTON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. NORTON addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)